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## **ABSTRACT**

Line positions and strengths of  $HNO_3$  from 850 to 920 cm<sup>-1</sup> have been retrieved from room temperature spectra recorded at 0.00265 cm<sup>-1</sup> resolution using the FTS at Kitt Peak and flowing gas samples.

## **SUMMARY**

Some 800 transitions of  $v_5$  and 550 lines of  $2v_9$  have been measured with precisions of 3 to 8%. Measurements of an additional 438 features with ambiguous assignments have also been obtained with 10% - 15% precisions. These include a few strong absorptions between 885.414 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 885.470 cm<sup>-1</sup> which are recognized as the Q-branch of  $v_5 + v_9 - v_9$ . The measured line intensities and band strengths of the  $v_5$  and  $2v_9$  bands have been compared to prior measurements and to values given in the HITRAN compilation; the average of the ratios, this work/HITRAN, was found to be 0.92  $\pm$  11%. The analysis of these data has been greatly hindered by the high density of transitions and the lack of knowledge about several other hot bands in the region.

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